

RESOLUTION: 05-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, APPROVING THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ACT, SUBSECTIONS 420.907-420.9079, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND RULE CHAPTER 67-37, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as the County) desires to improve the welfare of its citizens regarding housing conditions, and

WHEREAS, the County has decided to participate in the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP) to fund housing rehabilitation and replacement for eligible very low, low and moderate income homeowners, and

WHEREAS, the local Tallahassee/Leon County comprehensive plan encourages the rehabilitation and replacement of affordable housing, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida enacted the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act, Chapter 92-317 of Florida Sessions Laws, allocating a portion of documentary stamp taxes on deeds to local governments for the development and maintenance of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Act, ss. 420.907-420.9079, Florida Statutes (1992), and Rule Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, requires local governments to develop a one to three-year Local Housing Assistance Plan outlining how funds will be used; and

WHEREAS, the SHIP Act requires local governments to establish the maximum SHIP funds allowable for each strategy; and

WHEREAS, the SHIP Act further requires local governments to establish an average area purchase price for new and existing housing benefiting from awards made pursuant to the Act; The methodology and purchase prices used are defined in the attached Local Housing Assistance Plan; and

WHEREAS, as required by *Chapter 67-37.005(6)(f)3, F.A.C.*, It is found that 5 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income is insufficient to adequately pay the necessary costs of administering the local housing assistance plan. The cost of administering the program may not exceed 10 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5% of program income deposited into the trust fund, except that small counties, as defined in s. 120.52(17), and eligible municipalities receiving a local housing distribution of up to \$350,000 may use up to 10 percent of program income for administrative costs; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that five percent (5%) of the Local Housing Distribution is insufficient to adequately pay for the administrative costs of the program; and

WHEREAS, in the Local Housing Assistance Plan, the County establishes the maximum cost per unit for each strategy is shown to be as follows:

Strategy	Maximum
1. Down Payment Assistance without Repair	\$7,500 (VL, Low and Mod)
2. Down Payment Assistance with Repair or New Construction	\$15,000 (VL); \$10,000 (Low) and \$7500 (Mod)
3. Down Payment Assistance with Self-Help	\$25,000 (VL and Low, Disabled and Elderly) \$15,000 (Low)
4. Home Rehabilitation	\$50,000
5. Home Replacement	\$75,000

Strategy	Maximum
6. Disaster Mitigation	\$10,000
7. Transitional and Emergency Housing	\$25,000 per unit
8. Development of Affordable Housing Rental Units	\$25,000 per unit and \$100,000 per project
9. Purchase Price for New and Existing Homes	\$166,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, that

1. That the Local Housing Assistance Plan is adopted as presented.
2. The County Administrator is authorized to execute certain documents pertaining to the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program, required by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.
3. No more than ten percent (10%) of the Local Housing Distribution and five percent (5%) of the program income totaling fifteen percent (15%) per allocation shall be used to pay for the administrative costs of the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DONE AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida this 20th day of September, 2005.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Cliff Thael, Chairman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

Bob Inzer, Clerk of the Circuit Court

BY: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Herbert W. A. Thiele, Esq.
County Attorney